

ATTACHMENT 5 INTRODUCTION TO THE SCHEDULE

The project implementation schedules show the sequence and timing of the work tasks that are presented in Attachment 3-Work Plan and Attachment 4-Budget. The schedules show the start and end dates of the project as a whole, as well as for every task, subtask, key milestone and deliverable.

Minimum PSP Requirements

The Proposition 50, Step 2, Round 2 Guidelines specify a minimum of eight work items for inclusion on the project schedules. The following is a discussion of these minimum requirements:

Development of Financing

None of the Proposal projects require financing beyond that provided by the requested funds or the match which will be provided by the project sponsor.

Development of Environmental Documentation and CEQA/NEPA Compliance

Of the 18 total construction projects in the Proposal, 9 have already prepared Categorical Exemptions or completed all necessary CEQA review :

- ♦ Nevada City – all seven projects
- ♦ PCWA – entire project
- ♦ Grizzly Flat Community Service District –one of two

Only the Severely Disadvantaged Community of Washington has not yet prepared any environmental review (for their 5 projects), which is consistent with their lack of staff, engineering capacity and the resources to contract these services, as well as the 0% design stage for their projects.

Project Design and Bid Solicitation Process

Each of the construction projects will follow industry standard processes for preparing Requests For Proposal (RFPs) and bid procedures. These procedures are detailed in the appropriate section within each work plan.

Acquisition of Rights-Of-Way

Two of the projects will involve right-of-way or easement resolution – both in the WCWD project proposal. In one case, the easement has been negotiated with the property owner and all that remains is to perform the formal survey, complete the easement legal description and file the paperwork – these tasks are a part of the proposal. In the other case, the US Forest Service is already processing an amendment to an existing Land Use Agreement that is their functional equivalent of an easement.

Three other projects will require easement confirmation as the result of project activities (leak detection and/or meter installation) to confirm the specific location of facilities (Alta Colfax, Grizzly Flat and Nevada City).

Identification and Acquisition of All Necessary Permits

As detailed in each of the five work plans, all necessary local, state, and federal permits have been or will be received prior to initiation of construction activities. For a complete listing of the required permits, please refer to Section C (Planning/Design/Engineering/Environmental Documentation) of each work plan.

Construction Start and End Dates with Significant Milestones Highlighted

A review of the work plan in conjunction with the project implementation schedules will provide a clear picture of the start and end dates for each task, with significant milestones noted. The project end dates are reasonable estimates that consider the scope of work and the details of each task. The amount of time required to create final reports and invoices is taken into consideration.

Implementation of Any Environmental Mitigation or Enhancement Efforts

None of the projects in the proposal are off significant magnitude or impact to require environmental mitigation.